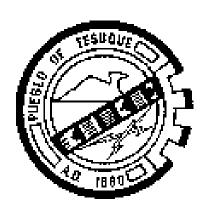
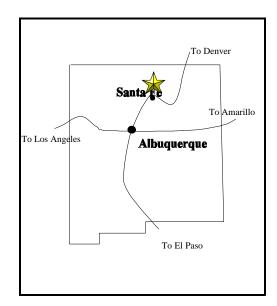


Tesuque Pueblo

Solid Waste Program





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History: A Tewa speaking community, the Tesuque have maintained strong ties to ancient traditions through performing dances and ceremonies just as their ancestors did hundreds of years ago. The Tesuque led the Pueblo Revolt against religious oppression in 1680 and commemorate their role with a celebration every August 10. The original Tesuque village was abandoned during the revolt and the present village was established in 1694.

Solid Waste: Among the known environmental issues facing the Pueblo, solid waste management is both a historical and an ongoing concern. There are several "open dumps", per the definition at 40 CFR §257.2. However, none of them are currently receiving solid waste. These dumps are only known to contain construction waste. There is a short-term MOA between the Pueblo and Santa Fe County for free hauling and disposal of wastes. The Pueblo is in the process of developing its own transfer station. I HS has granted \$160,000 to address the issue. EPA will be working with the Pueblo, POEP, I HS, and BI A to identify and close the open dumps and once closed ensure an long term alternative solid waste management system is in place. The Pueblo adopted a Solid Waste Management Code in November 1997.



